Inclusion of Tulu Language in Eighth Schedule of Constitution

2332. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Karnataka has requested the Union Government to include Tulu language in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution; and

(b) since Tulu is widely spoken on the Karnataka coast, whether Government would take steps to amend the Constitution to include Tulu in the Eights Schedule?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A Committee was set up under Shri Sitakant Mohapatra to evolve a set of objective criteria for inclusion of more languages in the Eighth Schedule. The Committee has submitted its report and made certain recommendations. A decision on the pending demands for inclusion of languages in the Eighth Schedule, including Tulu will be taken in the light of the recommendations of the Committee.

Help to Andhra Pradesh to tackle Naxalites

2333. SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Andhra Pradesh is going to follow Jammu and Kashmir model to tackle Naxalites in the State;

(b) what is the Jammu and Kashmir model; and

(c) whether the Ministry is extending any help to Andhra Pradesh in tackling Naxalites?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) There is no such proposal.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Central Government is providing assistance to the State of Andhra Pradesh to tackle the naxalite problem in terms of reimbursement of security related expenditure, modernization of State Police Force, sharing of intelligence, deployment of Central Para-Military Forces and

for integrated development of the affected areas.

High-Tech Security of Jagannath Temple, Puri (Orissa)

2334. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to provide high-tech security system in the 12th century Lord Jagannath Temple in Puri, Orissa which contains valuable ornaments and precious stones worth hundreds of crores;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the existing security system in the temple is not foolproof;

(c) whether the Centre propose to help the cash-strapped State both physically and financially to upgrade their security system in the above holy temple; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) Police being a state subject under the Constitution, it is for the Government of Orissa to assess the security arrangements of the Lord Jagannath temple and strengthen them as per the local threat perception.

(b) Central Government keeps advising the State Governments to strengthen the security arrangements of vulnerable places as per intelligence inputs available with it.

(c) and (d) Central Government helps various States including Orissa for modernization of their police forces including acquisition of latest weaponry, security and surveillance equipments etc.

Indo-US Treaty on Criminal Matters

2335. SHRI RAASHID ALVI:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state: